

(IUU) Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing



Environmental & Economic Impacts of IUU

- ❖ Global problem.
- ❖ Threatens ocean ecosystems and sustainable fisheries.
- ❖ IUU products often come from fisheries lacking the effective conservation measures to which U.S. fishermen are subject.
- ❖ IUU fishing violates conservation measures, such as quotas or bycatch limits, established under international agreements.
- ❖ IUU fishing undermines domestic and international markets.

Russian Origin Crab

- ❖ Fishery designated as un-sustainable with high degree of IUU catch
- ❖ Red King Crab listed as “at-risk” (NOAA)
- ❖ 79% - 88% of Russian crab imports to U.S. (\$255 million in 2015) entered WA Ports

Recent Developments

Crab fishermen applaud new IUU agreement

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King crab prices keep dropping on suspected IUU fishing

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Jeanine Stewart, Eva Tallaksen

Some industry players feel prices could bounce back as a result of IUU treaties, but others are less sure

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BERING SEA CRABBERS ISSUE WHITE PAPER ON MEASURES TO DENY IUU CRAB ENTRY TO US

Expanding the Shellfish Classification

- ❖ WDFW regulatory authority aligned with classification of species in rule.
- ❖ Current list does not include three species of king crab which Enforcement Program seeks to add.



Blue Crab



**Brown or
Golden Crab**



Red Crab

Outcomes

- ❖ King Crab Brokers will be required to obtain a wholesale fish dealers license triggering WDFW Police inspection authority
- ❖ Provides Enforcement access to shipments and records
- ❖ Assists law enforcement in establishing links between harvest and transport vessels, brokers, and markets
- ❖ Compliments proposed legislation related to record keeping



ALASKA
Bering Sea Crabbers